Sri H. SIDDAVEERAPPA.—May I know whether you have not paid money for these three cases under question No. 293 ? May I know whether the Government is paying any interest for the three cases for which the payment is delayed ?

Sri B. D. JATTI.—Sir, the farmers concerned did not pay the ful levy.

Sri H. SIDDAVEERAPPA.—You said the ryots have not paid their levy fully. Have you paid interest for those cases where the levy has been paid in full and the delay is caused. Are you justified in not paying interest for such cases ?

Sri B. D. JATTI.—Payment has been made. Morally we are justified in paying the interest if there is any delay in payment.

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಸ್. ಬಂಗಾರಪ್ಪ.—ಒಬ್ಬ ರೈತ ಕಡಿಮೆ ಕೊಟ್ಟರೆ ಕಾನೂನು ಪ್ರಕಾರ ಏತಕ್ಕೆ ಕಾರ್ಯಕ್ರಮ ತೆಗೆದುಕೊಳ್ಳಕೂಡದು ? ಡಿರೇ ಆದರೆ ಬಡ್ಡಿ ಕೊಡುವುದು ಬೇಡವೇ ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಬಿ. ಡಿ ಜತ್ತಿ.—ಕಡಿಮೆ ಕೊಟ್ಟು ಉಳಿದದ್ದನ್ನು ಕೊಡಲಲ್ಲ ಎಂದು ಹೇಳುವುದಿಲ್ಲ 2—3 ಇನ್‌ಸ್ಟಾಲ್‌ಮೆಂಟಿನಲ್ಲಿ ಕೊಡುತ್ತಿದ್ದಾರೆ. ತಡವಾಗಿದೆ ಅಷ್ಟೆ. ನೈತಿಕವಾಗಿ ನಷ್ಟ ಕೊಡಬೇಕಾಗುತ್ತದೆ ಅಷ್ಟೆ.

Powers of Executive Engineer, Superintending Engineer and Chief Engineer

*Q.—318. Sri M. MALLAPPA (Birur).—

Will the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state :—

(*a*) the powers of the Executive Engineer, Superintending Engineer and Chief Engineer of Public Works Department to sanction estimates of original works under irrigation and other heads ;

(*b*) whether powers to sanction original works are curtailed and if so, from what time ?

A.—Sri ALUR HANUMANTHAPPA (Deputy Minister for Minor Irrigation).—

(*a*) *Vide* Statement appended.

(*b*) No.

(SRI ALUR HANUMANTHAPPA)

STATEMENT

Delegation of Financial Powers

Sanctions further—to the Chief Engineers, Superintending Engineers and Executive Engineers of P. W. D.

Ref:—G. O. No. PWD 75 SCO 59, dated 5th January 1960.
G. O. No. PWD 15 SAD 60, dated 15th February 1960.

Sl. No.	Nature of powers	Chief Engineers	Superintending Engineers	Executive Engineers
1	2	3	4	5
1	Sanction to estimates :			
(a)	Administrative approval to original works.	Can accord Administrative approval up to a limit of : (i) Rs. 1 lakh in each case in regard to Roads, Bridges and Buildings and all works which are specifically provided for in the Budget.	Can accord Administrative approval up to a limit of :— (i) Rs. 50,000 in each case in regard to Roads, Bridges and Buildings and all works including irrigation works which are specifically provided for in the budget.	Can accord Administrative approval as well as technical sanction up to Rs. 50,000 in each case in regard to works including Irrigation works which are specifically provided for in the Budget and specifically included in the Plan programme.

(ii) Rs. 2 lakhs in each case in regard to Roads, Bridges and Buildings and all works including irrigation works which are specifically provided for in the Plan Programme.	(ii) Rs. 1 lakh in each case with regard to Roads, Bridges and Buildings and all works which are specifically provided for in the Budget and specifically included in the Plan Programme.
(iii) Rs. 50,000 in each case in regard to works which are not specifically provided for in the budget and which are proposed to be executed by meeting the expenditure by re-appropriation of sanctioned grants or out of lumpsum allotments or in any other manner.	(iii) Rs. 25,000 in each case in regard to works which are not specifically provided for in the budget and which are proposed to be executed by re-appropriation of sanctioned grants or out of lumpsum allotment or in any other manner.

Note :—1 In all cases in which powers of according administrative sanction to estimate between Rs. 25,000 and Rs. 2 lakhs are exercised, the Chief Engineer will send to Government a statement of sanctions issued from time to time so as to keep Government informed of such cases.

Note :—2 In the case of Education, Medical and such other building works for which specific Budget Provision has been made under "50 Civil Works" the administrative approval to all estimates not exceeding Rs. 1 lakh in each case after obtaining the countersignature or concurrence of the head of the Department concerned to the estimates and Plans for such works, may be accorded by the Administrative authority concerned.

Sri M. MALLAPPA.—Is it not a fact that the Government have issued circular instructions to Heads of Departments not to sanction original estimate without specific orders of Government ?

†Sri ALUR HANUMANTHAPPA.—No such Government Order has been issued. Taking into consideration the heavy spill-over commitments on minor irrigation, on 1965 February we have given instructions to the Officers that unless it is brought to the notice of the Government what are all the new works to be taken up they cannot take any fresh works. It is only a circular instrution.

Sri M. MALLAPPA.—It is only a circular instruction. Is it not contrary to the existing Government Order you have envisaged in the answer ?

Sri ALUR HANUMANTHAPPA.—On the advice of the Planning Commission to complete the incomplete works that has been done. The original Government Order stands even today with regard to the powers given to the Chief Engineer, Superintending Engineer and the Executive Engineer. Only they should inform the Government and prior approval should be taken for all such works.

Sri M. MALLAPPA.—Is it not a fact that these circular instructions have come in the way of progress in the development works ?

Sri ALUR HANUMANTHAPPA.—There is no such hindrance. The aim of the Government is to see that progress is kept up under any circumstance.

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಚ್. ಡಿ. ದೇವೇಗೌಡ.—ಹಿಂದೆ 25 ಸಾವಿರದವರಗೆ ಎಕ್ಸಿಕ್ಯೂಟೀವ್ ಇಂಜನಿಯರು ಸ್ಯಾಂಕ್ಷನ್ ಮಾಡುತ್ತಾ ಇದ್ದರು. ಅವು ಈಗ ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ಮುಂದೆ ಬಂದು ಸರ್ಕಾರ ಮುದ್ರೆ ಒತ್ತಿದರೆ ಪ್ಲಾನಿಂಗ್ ಕಮೀಷನ್ನಿನವರು ಅದಕ್ಕೆ ಅಬ್ಜಕ್ಷನ್ ತೆಗೆದುಕೊಳ್ಳುವುದಿಲ್ಲವೇ ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಆಲೂರು ಹನುಮಂತಪ್ಪ.—ಅಂತಹ ಪ್ರತಿಬಂಧಕ ಸರ್ಕಾರ ಹಾಕಿದ್ದಾರೆ ಎಂದು ಹೇಳಲಿಲ್ಲ. ಅವರಿಗೆ ಕೊಟ್ಟಿರತಕ್ಕ ಅಧಿಕಾರ ಇವೊತ್ತೂ ಸಹ ಅವರಿಗೆ ಇದೆ.

Sri H. SIDDAVEERAPPA.—You have stated that they have independent powers up to a limit. When you say before they sanction, they have again to come to Government for administrative approval, is it not inconsistent ?

Sri ALUR HANUMANTHAPPA.—If they are budgeted works, they can be taken up by the Chief Engineer, Superintending Engineer or Executive Engineer. If they are not budgeted works but if they are included in the programme, then also they have got powers. But over and above the ceiling limit fixed, everything should come to Government.

Sri H. SIDDAVEERAPPA.—Are they entitled to act according to their own discretionary powers ?

Mr. SPEAKER.—Are we interpreting the Government Order ?

Sri H. SIDDAVEERAPPA.—It is apparently inconsistent.

Mr. SPEAKER.—It does not lead to any new facts. During Question Hour, we have to elicit facts only.

Sri M. MALLAPPA.—What were the powers prior to 1960 given to the Heads of Departments of erstwhile Karnataka areas of Hyderabad and Bombay States ?

Sri ALUR HANUMANTHAPPA.—It is a matter of detail. I will furnish the information to the Hon'ble Member later Sir.

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಚ್. ಡಿ. ದೇವೇಗೌಡ.—ಈಗ ತಾವು ಇದರಲ್ಲಿ ಏನು ಮಾಡಿದ್ದೀರಿ ಎಂದರೆ ಒಂದು ಲಂಪ್‌ಸಮ್ ಆಗಿ ಎಲ್ಲಾ ವರ್ಗಗಳಿಗೂ ಒದಗಿಸಿದ್ದೀರಿ. ಒಂದು ಲಕ್ಷ ಚೀಫ್ ಇಂಜಿನಿಯರಿಗೆ, 50,000 ಸೂಪರಿಂಟೆಂಡಿಂಗ್ ಇಂಜಿನಿಯರಿಗೆ, ಮತ್ತು ಎಗ್ಸಿಕ್ಯೂಟಿವ್ ಇಂಜಿನಿಯರಿಗೆ 50,000 ಎಂದು ಎಲ್ಲಾ ಒದಗಿಸಿದ್ದೀರಿ. ಈ ಸರ್ಕ್ಯುಲರ್ ಪ್ರಕಾರ ಯಾವ ಅಧಿಕಾರಿಗೂ ಯಾವ ಕೆಲಸ ವನ್ನು ಮಾಡುವುದಕ್ಕೂ ಅಡ್ಮಿನಿಸ್ಟ್ರೇಟಿವ್ ಅಪ್ರೂವಲ್‌ನ ತೊಂದರೆಯಾಗಿರಕ್ಕದ್ದು ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ಗಮನಕ್ಕೆ ಬಂದಿದೆಯೇ ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಆಲೂರು ಹನುಮಂತಪ್ಪ.—ಅಪೆಂಡಿಕ್ಸ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ಕೊಟ್ಟ ಅಧಿಕಾರ ಸಂಪೂರ್ಣವಾಗಿ ಇದೆ. ಬಜೆಟ್‌ನ ಪ್ರಕಾರ ಟೆಕ್ನಿಕಲ್ ಸ್ಯಾಂಕ್ಷನ್ ಕೊಡುವುದಕ್ಕೂ ಅಧಿಕಾರವಿದೆ. ಮಾನ್ಯ ಸದಸ್ಯರು ಹೇಳುವ ಪ್ರಕಾರ ಅದಕ್ಕೆ ಈಗ ಒಂದು ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ಮುಂದೆ ಪಟ್ಟಿ ಸಿದ್ಧವಾಗುತ್ತಿದೆ. ಅದರ ಪ್ರಕಾರ ಚೀಫ್ ಇಂಜಿನಿಯರ್, ಮತ್ತು ಸಂಬಂಧಪಟ್ಟ ಇತರ ಅಧಿಕಾರಿಗಳಿಗೆ ಅನುಮತಿ ಕೊಡುತ್ತೇವೆ.

Sri A. R. BADARI NARAYAN.—Will the Government be pleased to clear the misapprehension on the part of these officers if any, in exercising their powers and performing their functions ?

Sri ALUR HANUMANTHAPPA.—There is no such misapprehenion.

Sri G. DUGGAPPA.—The effect of the recent circular instructions to these officers is that these officers are not at all exercising their powers of sanction. Simply they are waiting and looking to the Government ; whether this has come to the notice of the Government ?

Sri ALUR HANUMANTHAPPA.—When there is heavy spill-over commitment of works, where is the need for officers to look to Government, I cannot understand.

Sri H. SIDDAVEERAPPA.—Sir, I request that we may have an half-an-hour discussion on this subject and I request the Speaker to permit the same.

Mr. SPEAKER.—You must follow the procedure.

Collection of Water Tax in Asundi Village

*Q.—340. Sri M. G. BANAKAR (Byadgi).—

Will the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether it is not a fact that water is being supplied to the ryots from the major tank of Asundi village, Ranibennur Taluk after getting applications from the ryots ;

(*b*) whether it has come to their notice that water tax has been collected from the ryots even though the crops have failed for want of water supply till the harvest in the said area ;

(*c*) if so, whether they propose to give compensation to the ryots ?